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Man Charged in Shooting Death

Howard County Police have charged a 22-year-old Jessup man in the September shooting death of an acquaintance in his home. Kenneth Ryan Bowser, of the 8100 block of Sheffield Ct., was charged late Tuesday with manslaughter, assault and reckless endangerment in the death of 17-year old Michael Mullinax.

Police responded to Bowser's home around 9:20 p.m. Sept. 10 after receiving a report of a gunshot fired in a single family residence. Upon arrival, police located Mullinax deceased from a gunshot wound.

Detectives believe Mullinax was visiting Bowser at his home and that the two were alone in the basement at the time of the shooting. Investigators believe Mullinax and Bowser were handling the gun and began wrestling over it when Mullinax was shot.

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